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Indiana State Excise Police Issue 88 Tickets at IU Tailgate

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – Indiana State Excise Police officers issued 88 summonses during Indiana University's football game Saturday, November 3, 2007. Officers issued 84 people summonses on 88 charges in the Red Lot tailgating area bordered by 17th Street, Woodlawn Avenue, 14th Street and Indiana Avenue.

Most summonses issued this weekend were for illegal consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages. The following is a list of the charges:

- *Eighty-three (83) minors were charged with illegal possession, consumption or transportation of alcoholic beverages.
- *Four (4) tickets were issued for possession of false identification.
- *One (1) adult was charged with furnishing alcoholic beverages to a minor.

"Our local excise officers were assisted by officers from the Vincennes and Indianapolis districts during today's football game," Officer Travis Thickstun said. "The increase in officers working the tailgating area during the game is likely the reason for the increase in ticket activity over recent football games."

Those who received summonses today were given various court dates, when they will make an initial appearance.

Numerous excise officers will also be on patrol in shifts through the remainder of the night. Their efforts will focus primarily on alcoholic beverage establishments and underage drinking parties.

Throughout the football game, excise officers were assisted by officers I.U. Police Department. Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.